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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR FAZIO.4

ITEM NO: WH-2

DATE: 11 DECEMBER 1974

SUBJECT: HANOI MOVES AN AIR DEFENSE HEADQUARTERS UNIT INTO
SOUTH VIETNAM

REF :

HANOI HAS SHIFTED AN AIR DEFENSE HEADQUARTERS INTO NORTHERN SOUTH VIETNAM. THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE NORTH VIETNAMESE 377TH AIR DEFENSE DIVISION WAS LOCATED ON DECEMBER 6 NEAR ROUTE 9 IN WESTERN QUANG TRI PROVINCE. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THIS UNIT HAS BEEN IN SOUTH VIETNAM SINCE IT LEFT THIS SAME AREA TO GO TO EASTERN LAOS IN APRIL 1973.

THE NORTH VIETNAMESE HAVE BEEN INCREASING THEIR AIR DEFENSES IN SOUTH VIETNAM, AND FIVE OF THE SIX REGIMENTS SUBORDINATE TO THE DIVISION WHEN IT WAS IN LAOS HAVE MOVED ALREADY INTO WESTERN SOUTH VIETNAM. HANOI HAS RECENTLY BEGUN ITS SEASONAL INFILTRATION OF MEN AND MATERIEL; THESE RELOCATIONS APPEAR TO BE AIMED AT STRENGTHENING COMMUNIST DEFENSES ALONG THE CORRIDOR. E-2 IMPDET.4

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